Go Fishing at Lake Cumberland State Resort Park

Lake Cumberland State Resort Park, one of Kentucky's largest state parks, is surrounded on three sides by Lake Cumberland. Anglers can fish for largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, spotted (Kentucky) bass, crappie, walleye, striped bass, bluegill, and channel catfish. Lake Cumberland is known for having good fishing for particularly smallmouth bass, striped bass, and walleye. The striped bass fishery is one of the best in the US. Several boat ramps are available in and around the park to access the lake.

The 75 miles of Cumberland River from Lake Cumberland Dam downstream to the Tennessee border is known as one of the premier trout fisheries in the Southeast for rainbow and brown trout. Striped bass and walleye are also present. The upper 16 miles of river has fishing access for bank and wade anglers just below the dam, near Long Bottom, Helm's Landing, Rockhouse, and Winfrey's Ferry. Boat anglers can launch at ramps just below the dam, Helms landing, and Winfrey's Ferry. Trout fishing is good throughout the 75 miles of river. Other boat ramps are at Burkesville (Mile 34 below the dam), Hwy 61 (Mile 38), Cloyd's Landing (Mile 51), and McMillan's Ferry (Mile 67).

Wolf Creek National Fish Hatchery is located below Lake Cumberland Dam. This hatchery raises nearly 800,000 trout each year to stock Kentucky's waters. The hatchery creek just below the hatchery is stocked with rainbow trout each week during February through December.

